

SAFETY ON THE LINE

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"The secret of getting ahead is getting started."

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Did you hear about this one?

Your should! Recently, a KSC employee drove a GSA vehicle into a temporary parking area at the RLV hanger, removed the keys from the ignition, and walked away. Unfortunately, the gearshift was not in the park position and the parking brake was not engaged. The vehicle rolled into a canal resulting in damages estimated at \$5,400.

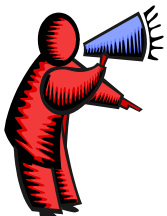


Before departing any vehicle, employees should check that the transmission is placed in park and that the parking brake is set. Otherwise, the vehicle may roll into another vehicle or even a water filled canal.

Vehicle keys should not be able to be removed from a ignition unless the transmission is in park. A recent inspection of GSA cars on KSC revealed that some cars did not have this feature. However, they have been identified and repaired. If you find that your vehicle ignition key can be removed without the transmission being in park, contact your vehicle coordinator immediately.

Employees are also strongly encouraged to check their personal vehicles to ensure this problem does not exist. Finally, employees should always use the parking brake when parking their vehicles and never leave children in an unattended vehicle.

For more information, contact your organization safety office.



**Update for
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**USA employees who need to excess
furniture should notify their
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